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PETITION UNDER 37CFR §1.181 TO THE COMMISSIONER REQUESTING FULL **CONSIDERATION OF ALL PRIOR ART**

Applicant files this Petition Under 37CFR §1.181 to the Commissioner Requesting full consideration of prior art in this application.

On About April 1, 2004, Applicant filed pursuant to the certificate of mailing procedure an Information Disclosure Statement identical to that shown on the attached. Non-US Patent references were enclosed with that Information Disclosure Statement. A copy of the post card receipt showing Patent Office receipt in early April, 2004 is attached.

On April 27, 2004, approximately one month after the above-referenced Information Disclosure Statement was filed, a Notice of Allowance and Fee Due was mailed by the US Patent and Trademark Office to the Applicant.

Applicant requests that the referenced Information Disclosure Statement and all prior art listed therein be fully considered by the Examiner. Furthermore, Applicant requests that a copy of the Information Disclosure Statement with the Examiners initials and notations be sent to applicant with a new revised Notice of Allowance.

Thus, Applicant requests full consideration of the prior art which was sent to the Patent Office in a timely manner, and should have been fully considered.

Applicant authorizes the fees associated with this petition be deducted from its Deposit Account No. 04-0500, including the petition fee under 1.17 (h).

If you have any questions please contact the undersigned, John E. Vick, Jr. at (864) 503-1383.

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In compliance with Applicant's duty under 37 CFR §1.56, Applicant hereby submits this Information Disclosure Statement filed according to the provisions of 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98.

Enclosed herewith is Form PTO-1449 (Modified) which lists various references submitted by Applicant for consideration. Also, enclosed herewith are copies of each of the references listed in the Form PTO-1449 (Modified). The Examiner is requested to review each of the references, indicate that the references were reviewed by initialing the Form PTO-1449 (Modified) for each reference, and returning a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449 (Modified) to the Applicant.

This information disclosure statement is being submitted after three months of the filing date of the application and after the first Office action on the merits, but before the mailing of a final action, a notice of allowance, or an action that closes the prosecution in the application. As such, Applicant:

- Respectfully submits that the each item of information contained herein was first cited in a any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement and respectfully requests consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR §1.97(c)(1) and (e)(1).
- X Respectfully requests consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR §1.97(c)(2) and the Commissioner is hereby

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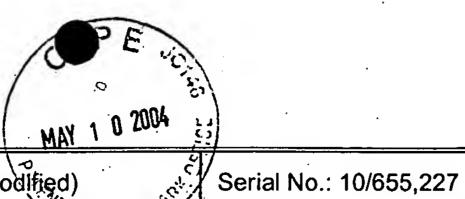
authorized to withdraw the fee set forth in 37 CFR §1.17(p) from our Deposit Account 04-0500.

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